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In re application of:

Scott Borland

Application No.: 09/822,573

Filed: March 30, 2001

For: APERTURE PLATE AND
METHODS FOR ITS CONSTRUCTION
AND USE

Customer No.: 20350

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 3, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.